

# Agenda Item Report



**Winnebago County**  
*The Wave of the Future*

DATE: January 10, 2023  
FROM: Mike Elder, Director of Facilities  
RE: Oshkosh Human Services Building Public Elevator Repairs

## **General Description:**

In early Fall 2022 the public elevator for the Oshkosh Human Services Building suffered a controls failure rendering the elevator inoperable.

## **Action Requested:**

Approval of a resolution and budget transfer for a project to replace the elevator controls for the public elevator.

## **Procedural Steps:**

Committee of Jurisdiction: Facilities and Property Mgmt Action taken: Approved	Meeting date: 1/18/2023 Vote: 4-0
Committee of Jurisdiction: Personnel and Finance Action taken: _____	Meeting date: 2/8/2023 Vote: _____
County Board Action taken: _____	Meeting date: 2/21/2023 Vote: _____

## **Background:**

The Oshkosh Human Services Building has one public elevator. The elevator was originally installed in 1995 when an addition was added to the original structure. The controls have failed and replacement parts are not available.

## **Policy Discussion:**

The Oshkosh Human Services Building was built in 2 stages. The older section was completed in 1927. In 1995 an addition was constructed to the north. A single public elevator was installed during that project. This elevator has been maintained consistently. It has operated well over the last 28 years without any major failures or upgrades. Early this Fall the electronic processor that controls the operation of the elevator failed. It has been sent to the manufacturer 3 times for troubleshooting and repair. Each time it has been returned and the operational problem continued.

A replacement processor is not available for purchase to replace the original. Additionally, the electronics in the processor and ancillary controls are obsolete and unavailable. Several national elevator companies have been consulted for options for solutions. Each company stated that the parts

are old, obsolete and the controls should be upgraded to current industry standards. It is an Otis elevator and utilizes proprietary parts and software.

This project will upgrade the controls of the public elevator. New non-proprietary elevator controls will be installed. The result will be an elevator with operational controls that any elevator company can service and get parts for.

**Attachments:**

Resolution

Opinion of probable cost for the project